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SUBJECT: WACASC WORKING CAPITAL FUND

REF: NAIROBI 0852 (NOTAL)

BACKGROUND:

1. INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF BF/FMS AND AF/EX, AFTER STUDY OF WACASC OPERATIONS AND ON-SITE SURVEY, PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING CAPITAL FUND TO REPLACE PRESENT METHOD OF SHARING COSTS AS PRESCRIBED UNDER FAAS.
2. PROPOSAL PRESENTED TO MEETING OF THE FAAS INTER-AGENCY COUNCIL AND WAS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE WITH DETAILS, SYSTEM DESIGN, AND IMPLEMENTATION CALENDAR TO BE SUBMITTED FOR FINAL APPROVAL. EFFECTIVE DATE OF OCTOBER 1, 1978 WAS PROPOSED.

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3. BRIEFLY, WORKING CAPITAL FUND WOULD ESTABLISH WACASC AS AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY, SIMILAR TO A PRIVATE COMPANY. CONCEPT WOULD PROVIDE WACASC WITH INITIAL CAPITAL FUNDING COMPRISING ALL EQUIPMENT AND STOCK INVENTORY. WACASC WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SAME SERVICES TO CUSTOMER POSTS BUT WOULD BILL EACH AGENCY AT EACH POST FOR COST OF SERVICES

PLUS A MARK-UP TO COVER OVERHEAD AND OTHER OPERATING COSTS.

4. EFFECT ON SERVICED AGENCIES AND POSTS:

A. ALL AGENCIES, INCLUDING STATE, WOULD BE FUNDED FOR AND PAY DIRECTLY TO WACASC COST OF ALL ITEMS AND SERVICES ORDERED UPON RECEIPT OF DETAILED INVOICES. BILLINGS WOULD INCLUDE FREIGHT AND WACASC OVERHEAD CHARGES.

B. COST OF COMMISSARY GOODS WOULD BE BILLED AS IN A. ABOVE. SINCE ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR FREIGHT AND OVERHEAD WILL BE PASSED ON TO INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES THROUGH POST COMMISSARIES, IT IS LOGICAL TO ASSUME THAT INCREASE IN POST ALLOWANCES WOULD RESULT FROM HIGHER FOOD COST.

C. AF/EX AND BF/FMS NOW ENGAGED IN DESIGNING APPROPRIATE WORKING CAPITAL FUND ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND FORMS, AND EXPECT TO HAVE DESIGN READY FOR APPROVAL BY COUNCIL BY JUNE 1. CHRISTOPHER

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